

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In a Final Office Action mailed July 18, 2006, the Examiner:

- A. issued a restriction election with regard to claims 37-50; and
- B. allowed claims 37-42.

After entry of this amendment, the pending claims are: claims 37-42 and 51-53.

REMARKS

A. Response to Restriction Election

The applicants elect Group I, claims 37-42, for further prosecution in this application. Claims 43-50 are cancelled without prejudice.

B. Allowed Claims 37-42 and New Claims 51-53

Minor changes have been made to clarify allowed dependent claims 39, 40, and 42, without changing their scope. New claims 51-53 have been added, with scope analogous to allowed claim 37.

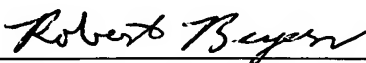
CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, the Applicant requests that claims 37-42 and 51-53 be passed to allowance.

If the Examiner believes a discussion of the above would be useful, he is invited to call the Applicant's attorney, Dr. Robert Beyers, at (650) 843-7528.

Respectfully submitted,

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